

PRESIDENT: Are there committee amendments? Senator Simon.

SENATOR SIMON: I just noticed in the committee hearings that Senator Merz voted against the bill and I was going to ask him what his reasons were. It says voting nay. I assume that to be the negative response and it says Senator Merz. Senator Merz are you around? I'll ask on Select...John, do you know what Nelson's problem was with the bill?

SENATOR DECAMP: He was upset at the insurance man that day.

SENATOR SIMON: That seems reasonable. OK, thank you.

SENATOR DECAMP: My Banking Committee will explain it to you later. It was the same day that he was upset at the savings and loans because they give gifts when you deposit money but they don't give you gifts when you borrow money.

PRESIDENT: I think I like the old DeCamp better.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, this is an insurance department bill. It does increase fees, raise some additional money to cover what they say are additional costs. It is paid by the users of the service. I move advancement of the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carsten. (No response). You've heard the motion. Record your vote. Please vote. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Rumery asked unanimous consent to expedite LB 498.

PRESIDENT: Is there an objection? So ordered. LB 173.

CLERK: Read LB 173. There are committee amendments by Senator George's Urban Affairs Committee.

PRESIDENT: Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the committee amendment. The amendment simply takes the counties out of this provision under the condition that a road is the separation line between two counties. The road thus would stay on the middle of the road, therefore, would continue to be the separation line between two counties. That's the only committee amendment.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. Record your vote. Have you voted? Record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays.

PRESIDENT: They are adopted. Senator Cope.

SENATOR COPE: Mr. President, members. Very short, "any city or village annexing property contiguous to or abutting upon any part of a county road shall be required to annex all of the contiguous or abutting road at the time of such annexation," and then the amendment "except that this section shall not apply to county roads separating counties". It's very simply that this bill removes the counties responsibility of main-